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ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 31, 2005, Applicants respectfully elect Species I and identify claims 1-14, 16, 18, 20, 21, 26, 27 & 29, as reading on the elected Species.

Respectfully submitted,

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